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In re patent application of

Diane VAN ALSTYNE, *et al.*

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For: PEPTIDES REPRESENTING EPITOPIC SITES FOR BACTERIAL AND VIRAL
MENINGITIS CAUSING AGENTS AND THEIR CNS CARRIER, ANTIBODIES
THERETO, AND USES THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION: Please delete the title and replace with the following title:

**METHODS TO CLEAR MENINGITIS CAUSING AGENTS USING ANTIBODIES TO
PEPTIDES REPRESENTING EPITOPIC SITES FOR BACTERIAL AND VIRAL
MENINGITIS CAUSING AGENTS**

Page 1, line 1, change "continuing" to --continuing application of Serial No.

08/486,050, filed June 7, 1995, which was a continuation-in-part--;

✓ line 2, change "1994" to --1993--.

Page 25, line 27, after "sequence" insert --(SEQ ID NO:1)--.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 1998, Applicants respectfully
request the amendment of the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the following claims:

Claim 23, line 2, delete "QQQPKA" and insert --QQQPPKA--.

Claim 25, line 2, delete "QQQPKA" and insert --QQQPPKA--.

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